

In the Drawings

Figure 7 has been amended to reintroduce reference to “longitudinal plane A-A’ ” pursuant to the Examiner’s request and the amendments herein.

An annotated sheet showing the edits in dotted lines and circled, as well as a formal replacement drawing page 4, are attached herewith.

Remarks

Claims 8-13, 16-22, and 47-51 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, claims 8-12 have been amended. The undersigned avers that no new matter is introduced by these amendments. Upon entry of these amendments, claims 8-13, 16-22, and 47-51 will be before the Examiner.

It should be understood that the amendments presented herein have been made solely to expedite prosecution of the subject application to completion. These amendments should not be construed as an indication of Applicant's agreement with or acquiescence to the rejections of record. Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the invention(s) disclosed in the subject application, including any subject matter canceled or not pursued during prosecution of the subject application, in a related application. Favorable consideration of the claims now presented, in view of the remarks and amendments set forth herein, is earnestly solicited.

The undersigned wishes to thank Examiner Spisich for the courtesy of the telephonic interview conducted on January 29, 2007. The Examiner's suggestions and recommendations were helpful.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication on the Advisory Action that claims 17-22 and 47-51 are allowable. Therefore, no outstanding objections or rejections remain pertaining to claims 17-22 and 47-51.

The Examiner states in the Advisory Action that the amendments filed with Applicant's response of January 11, 2007 do not place claims 8-13 in condition for allowance because the longitudinal plane is not adequately defined in a specific orientation to the handle. During the telephonic discussion with Examiner Spisich, agreement was reached as to how the claims may be amended to better define the position of the plane A-A' and, thus, the teeth attached to the device. Applicant believes that the above amendments to the claims accurately reflect the amendments agreed upon between the Examiner and the Applicant's undersigned representative.

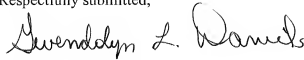
Also, pursuant to the Examiner's request, the specification is being amended, as well as Figure 7, to reintroduce reference to longitudinal plane A-A'. Appendix I is attached herewith and includes a marked-up version of Figure 7, with the changes shown in dotted lines and circled for clarity, as well as a formal version of Figure 7 with the changes incorporated thereon.

Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 8-13, as well as claims 17-22 and 47-51, are now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

Applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure: Appendix I

APPENDIX I: DRAWING PAGES

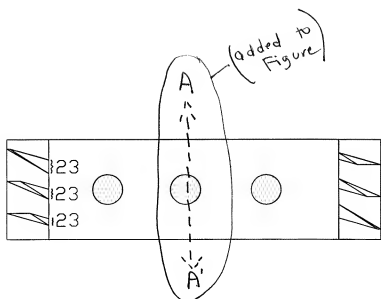


FIG. 7

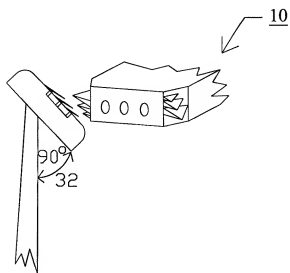


FIG. 8

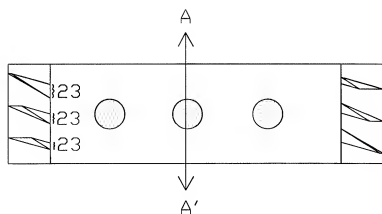


FIG. 7

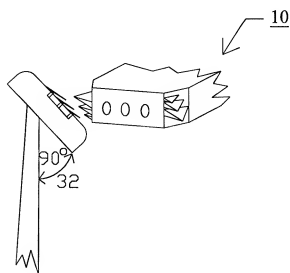


FIG. 8